

IN THE CLAIMS

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Listing of Claims:

1.-15. (Canceled)

16. (New) A razor comprising:

an elongated hollow handle having a longitudinal axis X, said handle having a front end and a back end opposite to the front end;

a first razor head and a second razor head, both mounted on a support mounted in said handle and each head capable of being slideable in a direction substantially parallel to the axis X, between at least:

a first use position in which said first razor head projects outward from the front end to allow shaving, while said second razor head is retracted in said handle, and

a second use position in which said second razor head projects outward from the back end to allow shaving, while said first razor head is retracted in said handle; and

a manually operable actuator mounted on the support for moving the support from the first use position to the second use position or from the second use position to the first use position.

17. (New) A razor according to claim 16, wherein the support is capable of occupying a third or intermediate position in which both razor heads are retracted in said handle.

18. (New) A razor according to claim 16, further comprising means for locking the support in the first or second use position.

19. (New) A razor according to claim 17, further comprising means for locking the support in the intermediate position.

20. (New) A razor according to claim 18, wherein said locking means are at least partly provided on the manually operable actuator.

21. (New) A razor according to claim 16, wherein said actuator further comprises a hollow body and a pusher provided with arms capable of being clipped in slots provided in said handle, and wherein the pusher is slideable with respect to the hollow body, between a locking position in which the arms are received in the slots, and an unlocking position in which the arms are located outward from the slots.

22. (New) A razor according to claim 21, further comprising a compression spring which permanently biases the pusher toward its locking position.

23. (New) A razor according to claim 16, wherein said handle further comprises a pair of longitudinal rails which slidably cooperate with the support to guide the support during movement.

24. (New) A razor according to claim 16, wherein said first razor head and said second razor head have different sizes.

25. (New) A razor according to claim 24, wherein said first razor head and said second razor head are disposed in a removable cartridge, and wherein said razor further comprises a lock-and-release mechanism for disposal and replacement of said first razor head and said second razor head.

26. (New) A razor according to claim 25, wherein the lock-and-release mechanism is mounted on the support, at an end thereof.

27. (New) A razor according to claim 25, wherein the lock-and release mechanism further comprises:

a resilient V-shaped retainer having at least two legs provided with bearing members for mounting a razor head,

a plunger;

a spring biasing said plunger towards the razor head;

a cam member for biasing the legs of said retainer away from each other,

wherein the legs of said retainer include lateral wings, and

wherein the razor further comprises a pair of actuators for triggering the lock-and-release mechanism, each actuator comprising:

a flat spring member having a fixed portion attached to said handle and a flexible portion,

a button accessible to the fingers of a user and cooperating with the flexible portion,

wherein, in the first use position, the lateral wings cooperate with the flexible portion, whereas in the intermediate position or in the second use position the lateral wings cooperate with the fixed portion.

28. (New) A razor according to claim 27, wherein said handle further comprises a bottom shell member and a top shell member, and wherein the spring members form clip members for holding the shell members together.

29. (New) A razor according to claim 28, wherein the fixed portion of each spring member comprises a pair of holes which cooperate with hooks formed in the bottom shell member and the top shell member.

30. (New) A razor according to claim 16, further comprising a movable or flexible cover covering each end of said handle when the corresponding razor head is retracted in said handle.

31. (New) A razor comprising:

an elongated hollow handle having a longitudinal axis X, said handle having a front end and a back end opposite to the front end;

a first razor head and a second razor head, both mounted on a support mounted in said handle and each head capable of being slideable in a direction substantially parallel to the axis X, between at least:

a first use position in which said first razor head projects outward from the front end to allow shaving, while said second razor head is retracted in said handle, and

a second use position in which said second razor head projects outward from the back end to allow shaving, while said first razor head is retracted in said handle;

a manually operable actuator mounted on the support for moving the support from the first use position to the second use position or from the second use position to the first use position; and

means for locking the support in the first or second use position.

32. (New) A razor comprising:

an elongated hollow handle having a longitudinal axis X, said handle having a front end and a back end opposite to the front end;

a first razor head and a second razor head, both mounted on a support mounted in said handle and each head capable of being slideable in a direction substantially parallel to the axis X, between at least:

a first use position in which said first razor head projects outward from the front end to allow shaving, while said second razor head is retracted in said handle, and

a second use position in which said second razor head projects outward from the back end to allow shaving, while said first razor head is retracted in said handle; and

a manually operable actuator mounted on the support for moving the support from the first use position to the second use position or from the second use position to the first use position,

wherein said actuator further comprises a hollow body and a pusher provided with arms capable of being clipped in slots provided in said handle, and wherein the pusher is slideable with respect to the hollow body, between a locking position in which the arms are received in the slots, and an unlocking position in which the arms are located outward from the slots..